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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

THIS IS PAARA AUCTION MONTH (OCTOBER 14TH)! IN ADDITION, BE SURE TO GIVE PACIFICON '89 A VISIT IF YOU POSSIBLY CAN (OCT 6-7 -8)! SEE THE HOTLINE INFO ON THE MAIL PANEL. CHECK OUT THE HOLIDAY DINNER QST DE LILY N6PGM IN THIS ISSUE, FOR DETAILS ON A GREAT EVENT COMING UP! CAL QSO PARTY IS ON FOR OCTOBER 7 & 8! OFFICER SLATE IS BEING FILLED FOR NOVEMBER ELECTIONS. A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON & BE SURE TO GET INVOLVED! TIL NEXT MONTH, 73 DE YOUR EDITOR.

N6VFH

SPEAKER OF THE MONTH

RICH

CRANE

N 6 B P O

AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD OF SOLAR TECHNOLOGY, RICH WILL FAMILIARIZE US WITH THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN SOLAR CELLS, SOLAR POWER AND INSTALLATION. RICH'S APPROACH IS AS PRACTICAL AS IT IS STUDIED. HIS QTH IS TOTAL SOLAR, WHILE HE DOES HIS SOLAR RESEARCH AT STANFORD INTO THE NITTY GRITTY OF PHOTO-VOLTAIC SCIENCE. BE THERE FOR THIS SPECIAL TOPIC BY A TRUE LUMINARY IN THE SOLAR FIELD*** DINNER WITH SPEAKER: SU HONGS 5:45PM ON MEETING FRIDAY OCT. 6TH.
(VIA WA6LNV)

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

THE BIGGEST NEWS FOR PAARA'S OCTOBER IS THE AMPEX AUCTION. CAN ANYONE TELL ME WHY HAMS WANT TO EXCHANGE THEIR RADIO TREASURES EVERY MONTH? I HOPE SOME OF THE REGULARS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE 14TH AS MUCH AS I AM. I WILL HAVE CALLED MOST OF YOU TO WORK REGISTRATION, IMPOUND, PAARA TABLE, ETC. AN UNCONFIRMED LIST OF SUPPORTING CAST SHOULD APPEAR NEARBY.

AS WE REACH THE LAST 90 DAYS OF 1989, OUR THOUGHTS MUST TURN TO INSTALLING A NEW SET OF PAARA BUREAUCRATS FOR NEXT YEAR. I HAVE TO HAVE 3 VOLUNTEERS FOR A NOMINATING COMMITTEE, SO PLEASE STEP FORWARD AT THE NEXT MEETING. IF YOU WANT TO RUN FOR THE BOARD OR ONE OF THE OTHER SLOTS, MAKE SURE TO MAKE YOUR INTEREST KNOWN TO ME OR THE SOON TO BE APPOINTED NOMINATING CHAIRMAN.

ALSO COMING DOWN THE WIRE IS OUR DECEMBER DINNER, ABLY ORGANIZED BY LILY ANNE N6PGM. WE WILL HAVE THE REGULAR GIFT EXCHANGE, SHOW OFF OUR NEWLY WON FIELD DAY PLAQUE, AND GENERALLY HAVE A GREAT TIME. IT'S GOING TO BE A FIRST CLASS FRENCH CUISINE SO DON'T MISS IT!

DE WA6LNV

AMPEX AUCTION

AUCTION ITEMS

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PAARA TABLE - W6NIR, K6MPN, K6JJU,
W6LII, W6TFT

FOOD- WB6QPV, KD6ZL

IMPOUND - KA6LZI, K6YT

TREASURER - N6PGM

TABLE SALES - KA6LZI

EQUIPMENT

MOVEMENT - N6FEG, KD6ZL, KA6JLT,
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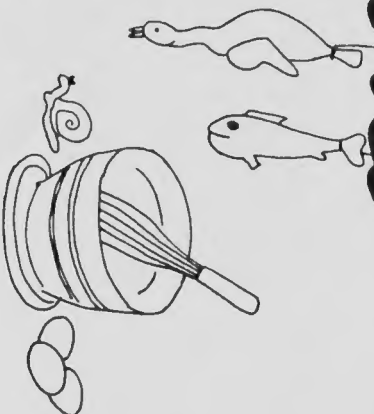
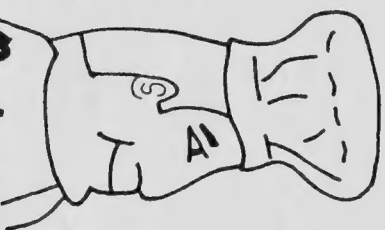
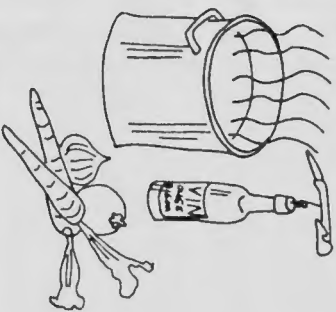
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NM6K, N6CHL, N6CHI,
K6EHS, KA6KYY, KA6KYZ

AUCTIONEER - WA6LNV & POSSIBLY A
SECRET ARRIVAL.
--(DE WA6LNV)

MENLO PARK, CA, 94025 --- OR SEE ME AT THE MEETINGS.
HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE. DE N 6 P G M -LILY-

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HOLIDAY BULLETIN FROM LILY N6PGM

HOLIDAY DINNER

YES, IT IS TRUE! MADAME SOPHIE HAS AGREED TO CLOSE HER RESTAURANT TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE DECEMBER 11TH PAARA HOLIDAY DINNER & OFFICER INSTALLATION.

YOUR CHOICE OF ENTREES:

- 1) PASTA -- \$18.30 INCLUDING TAX & TIP.
- 2) CHICKEN - \$18.30 INCLUDING TAX & TIP.
- 3) FISH --- \$18.30 INCLUDING TAX & TIP.
- 4) FLIET

MIGNON-- \$22.50 INCLUDING TAX & TIP.

THE DINNER WILL INCLUDE SOUP, BREAD & BUTTER, AN OUTSTANDING HOLIDAY DESSERT, & COFFEE. WINE WITH DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CLUB.

THERE WILL BE A NO-HOST WINE BAR FROM 6:30 TO 7:30 PM WITH 'HORS-D'OEUVRES PROVIDED BY THE CLUB.

DINNER WILL BE AT 7:30 PM AND THIS PROMISES TO BE OUR FINEST CELEBRATION.

MAIL CHECKS & ENTREE CHOICES TO N6PGM AT P.O. BOX 911,

REVIEW

TOMMY ROCKFORD - The Books And The Author

Walker A. Tompkins, K6ATX, died in November, 1988 after a 57-year writing career, which included the four Tommy Rockford books, "SOS At Midnight", "CQ Ghost Ship", "DX Brings Danger", and "Death Valley QTH".

It is a good time for a retrospective look at the books and the author and the current issue of the Mystery & Adventure Series Review has a six-page article by Iris Lane on the series. The front cover of the Review has a colorized version of the "SOS At Midnight" book cover.

Single issues cost \$2.50, the current issue is #21, and is available from Fred Woodworth, Editor, The Mystery & Adventure Series Review, P.O. 3488, Tucson, AZ 85722 -DE GEORGE G13OEN

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USES PERMITTED

Amateur Radio: Noncommercial public service-oriented communications service. Hobby and experimental communications. Home computing by radio. Emergency and routine public service.

CB: Business and casual conversations. Public aid channel for emergencies.

OPERATING RANGE

Amateur Radio: Unlimited. Hams have communicated with orbiting astronauts. International communications are common.

CB: Limited by law to less than 150 miles. CB-ers typically talk less than 4 miles.

FREQUENCIES OFFERED

Amateur Radio: Amateur bands are spread across the radio spectrum.

CB: One band of 40 channels.

POWER PERMITTED

Amateur Radio: Fifteen hundred watts, if needed.

CB: Less than 5 watts. Antenna height is limited by law.

LICENSE REQUIREMENT

Amateur Radio: Tests for technical skill, operating rules, knowledge of Morse code. Exam difficulty increases by license level.

CB: No exams. Permit carries no earned privileges.

HOW TO TELL WHO IS WHO

Amateur Radio: Government-issued call signs indicating country/zone as well as personal I.D. Most states offer special license plates.

CB: No formal system of identification. No personal licensing of users.

SIGNALS ALLOWED

Amateur Radio: FM & AM Radio, Computer & Teletype, Television, Satellite, Telegraphy, Single Sideband, Repeater, Relay.

CB: AM & Single Sideband Radio. Wireless control of hobby gear.

CUSTOMIZED EQUIPMENT

Amateur Radio: Can modify, overhaul, repair and improve store-bought gear. Can construct and experiment with own equipment.

CB: The CB permit does not allow any adjustment, modification or repair by the user.

MAIN ATTRACTION

Amateur Radio: Ability to experiment by radio, home computer and television. Worldwide communications; enhancement of international goodwill. Public service.

CB: Avoiding speed traps. Motorist pastime. Neighborhood contact. Enjoyment limited by profanity, low power and interference.

JOURNALS, CLUBS AND GROUPS

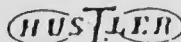
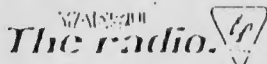
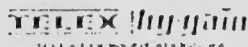
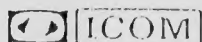
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CB: No national magazine or journal. Emergency group REACT sometimes found in metro areas. Few clubs.

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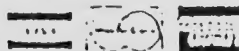
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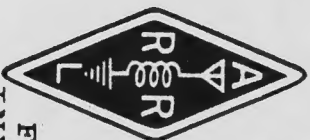
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